



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING OF TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2006

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Miles called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 7:30 p.m.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, President of the Board Marilyn Ottenad gave the invocation.

2. ROLL CALL AND STATEMENT OF QUORUM

Roll call showed those present were Alderman Clement, Alderman Wilson, Alderman Tullock, Alderman Ottenad, Alderman Wandishin, Alderman Ruecker, Mayor Miles and Attorney Wice for Attorney Gunn. A quorum was present.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. Minutes of the December 19, 2005 Public Hearing regarding a change of zoning of 5.93 acres at 1010 Hanna Road and 909, 911, 915 and 919 Big Bend Road

Alderman Clement made the motion to approve the Minutes of the December 19, 2005 Public Hearing regarding a change of zoning of 5.93 acres at 1010 Hanna Road and 909, 911, 915 and 919 Big Bend Road. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ottenad and carried unanimously.

- b. Minutes of the December 19, 2005 Public Hearing regarding a request for a Special Use Permit for a pharmacy drive-up in front of Dierbergs at 421 Lafayette Center

Alderman Tullock made the motion to approve the Minutes of the December 19, 2005 Public Hearing regarding a request for a Special Use Permit for a pharmacy drive-up in front of Dierbergs at 421 Lafayette Center. The motion was seconded by Alderman Clement and carried unanimously.

- c. Minutes of the December 19, 2005 Regular Board of Aldermen meeting

Alderman Clement made the motion to approve the Minutes of the December 19, 2005 Regular Board of Aldermen meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ottenad and carried unanimously.

4. ESTABLISHMENT OF ORDER OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

The reading of item 10a was postponed by Alderman Ruecker. Alderman Tullock made the motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Alderman Clement and carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

a. New Liquor License

1. Best Chef Restaurant

Alderman Clement made the motion to approve the new liquor license for Best Chef Restaurant. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ottenad and carried 5 – 1, with Alderman Tullock abstaining.

b. Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public at that time.

6. REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR

a. Mayoral Report

December 21 was the Holiday Reception for the Lafayette Mayors Organization. The reception was sponsored by Wildwood. He said there were about seven or eight Mayors there.

December 30 was the Metro Mayors Holiday Meeting at City Place in Creve Coeur. He said the meeting was for nine surrounding counties, including some in Illinois.

7. REPORTS FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

a. List of Paid Bills (Warrant dates of December 15, 2005 to December 29, 2005)

There were no questions.

b. Presentation by Metropolitan Engineering and Intuition and Logic regarding the Seven Oaks Lake flooding project

City Administrator Ed Blattner showed a video of flooding in the area of Kinsale Drive and Connemara Drive in May, 2004 when there was also about three feet of water at Kinsale and Dougherty Ferry Road.

Mr. Mark Meyer, the Principal Civil Engineer with Intuition and Logic, started the presentation. He said he had talked with several of the aldermen pertaining to some questions. He said the item on each person's mind is the difference between the two cost estimates, and he wanted to clarify that the actual cost is determined when the contractors bid it.

Mr. Meyer talked about the model he generated in April 2005, and said they had come up with a fair cost base, after they determined which alternative of several alternatives was better to alleviate the flooding. He said the focus of the initial estimate was to compare with another alternative they were pricing. Mr. Meyer said that knowing what he was evaluating in April on a concept level, providing a conveyance under Kinsale and Dougherty Ferry, he would probably have pegged a preliminary planning estimated at an amount higher than the \$600,000, probably about \$750,000. He said he looked at the bid tabs and looked at what kind of variations were reasonable. He said there was a 66% difference in the two opinions, the concept opinion prepared by Intuition and Logic compared to the final design opinion prepared by Metropolitan Engineering. He said in any given bid, the variations are between 40% and 60%, and it was not uncommon to him to find bids that varied up to 200%. Mr. Meyer further discussed the two cost opinions and talked about the assumptions, the culvert, the directional boring, rocks and plants, pond work and outfall, the boring under Dougherty Ferry Road, the open trench excavation to the bore, culvert length, the pipe boring methods, and variations in unit costs. Mr. Meyer said there were two sound cost estimates, the preliminary estimate which holds on its own in going back in time and not knowing what is known now, and the final design estimate which is very detailed and has a final set of plans.

Alderman Wilson asked about the \$270,000 variation in unit cost, and Mr. Meyer said he looked at the items and grouped the Metropolitan cost estimate into the four items. He said the two unit costs couldn't be compared, but when looking at the sum total there was \$270,000 of costs that were not reconciled, and in looking through the bid tabs, the difference was in unit costs. He said he knew that Metropolitan's costs were well founded because they have a substantial bid tab database.

Alderman Wilson asked about the polyethylene reinforced pipe being suggested versus the concrete culvert, and Mr. Meyer said that Metropolitan Engineering had researched several methods in getting water from point "a" to point "b", and cost was a concern, as well as constructability, safety, and how quickly it can go in. He said the contractors would be handicapped because they are working with a pond on the one side.

Alderman Wilson asked about costs for risk and wanted to know if there was an amount for risk litigation, and Mr. Meyer said the heart of the difference was that there were two completely different opinions at completely different times during the design phase. He discussed the bid drivers, methods, and assumptions and said there would be conveyance under Kinsale and conveyance under Dougherty Ferry.

Alderman Clement said the quote was for \$1,017,000, and he wanted to know if that would include the plantings that would go into the lake when the lake takes on a new form or shape. Mr. Meyer said he didn't believe it did, and a lot of questions on the final design should be answered by Metropolitan Engineering. Alderman Clement said he realized some of the costs would be borne by the subdivision. He then asked about the \$34,000 for rocks and plants, and Mr. Meyer discussed the locations for placement of rocks and plants upstream and downstream from Kinsale and downstream of the outfall under Dougherty Ferry; he said it was not for plantings in the lake.

Alderman Clement asked if the \$1,017,000 was a fairly good number, and recognized that the cost could go down, and he wanted to know if it would go up after the project officially goes out

for bid. Mr. Meyer said it could go up or down, but he would expect the cost to be lower. He said a lot is dependent upon the contractors and the economy.

Alderman Clement asked if the project was ready to go out for bid, and Mr. Meyer said they are in final design, documents are out for permitting, and the Department of Natural Resources gave approval today. Mr. Blattner said that as soon as Metropolitan Sewer District gives approval and there is approval from County Highway, the project would be ready to go out for bid, hopefully that would occur by the end of this month.

Alderman Clement asked if there were pros or cons in going out for bid at this time of the year, whether there could be any savings, and Mr. Meyer said that in his opinion, now is a good time to go out for bid.

City Administrator Blattner said that the boring contractors have a specialized piece of machinery that does boring, and if the man has that machinery in his yard right now, it is not making any money, and his workers are not working. Sometimes a bid will be lower just to get a job. He said the contractors were also invited to voluntarily give bid alternatives to save money, subject to the engineers' expertise.

Alderman Clement said he would like to have an overview of the proposal. Mr. Meyer said that Metropolitan Engineering had prepared a presentation, and they would answer questions about design, the substance of the design, and the approach.

Alderman Wilson said the City is struggling because they expected the project would cost \$600,000, and with those expectations, he wondered how next time a better estimate could be obtained. Mr. Meyer said this is a project whereby Intuition and Logic was working on the Channel A design, and the flooding situation happened; that problem was unknown until Summer, 2004. He discussed the planning process and the budgeting numbers. He said there were different alternatives to be picked, and there really wasn't an effort to put together a good planning cost estimate for the identified scenario. He said that in looking at the project, the final design plan, he could see there could be a variance of cost estimates when the bids come in. He said there could be a bid that is drastically lower or one that is higher.

City Administrator Blattner said that the initial contract with Intuition and Logic was to look at the environmental impact of the flooding and how to handle it. He said there were three plans put forth, bypassing the entire storm sewer system and putting in a new system, which was well in excess of \$1 million; draining the lake and making it a dry basin to be used as a detention basin under weather conditions, and the conveyances under Kinsale and Dougherty Ferry. Mr. Blattner stated that this involved a private lake in which the City had no interest; the City's interest was to solve the street flooding problem which causes a hazard and a liability to the City. He talked about working with subdivision trustees to make this project workable. He said that Metropolitan Engineering did the nuts and bolts drawings, and there is an excellent set of plans. Mr. Blattner reviewed the plans to solve the flooding problems, and said the plan is a major change from the plan from 20 or 25 years ago when St. Louis County approved the development.

Alderman Ruecker said he could see why there is a difference in bids, but the most important thing for the City in the future is to find out how to get a better guesstimate. He said he would rather have an overestimate than an underestimate. Alderman Ottenad said she had never seen a bid this far off, and she would rather not have any estimate nor any estimate assumed if it is going to be that far off. She expressed concern about using possibly \$400,000 more on this project that could have been used on another project.

Alderman Tullock asked if there were any kind of checks to assure that the money being spent is prudent and justified. Mr. Meyer said from a design standpoint, there are no checks, because they are charged with putting together a design that will solve the problem, but when the bids come in, there will be all the unit costs. He said that as far as the checks and balances, that is part of the bid process. Alderman Tullock asked who would be charged with that task, and Mr. Blattner said that once the bids are received, City staff would check references, compare costs, and make a recommendation to the Board of Aldermen.

Alderman Clement asked who actually compares all of the bids, and Mr. Blattner said Intuition and Logic, as well as Metropolitan Engineering, would be present at the bid opening with the City Administrator/City Engineer.

Mr. Meyer said regarding the relationship between the two firms, it is very standard for Intuition and Logic to be working in conjunction with other civil engineering firms; there are only a few like their firm in the Midwest, and they team with various firms. He said they are a Civil Engineering Firm and they specialize in applied fluvial geomorphology and urban streams and watersheds, so as experts they are called to team in on projects like this all the time to bring that expertise to bear on some stream projects. He said there are no redundant services; he is not going to do a piece of design and Metropolitan re-do it or vice versa. He discussed the permitting issue and various aspects of the processes involved in this project. Mr. Meyer said that Channel A is concept level; it hasn't been advanced, so it hasn't gotten into the preliminary design stage yet, but it is just about to. He said he would be reviewing the plans for something much different than Mr. Kostyshock's review.

Alderman Clement said it seemed the \$17,000 for Metropolitan Engineering would be for the Channel A project. He asked if there is a window of time to approve the \$17,000, and whether there is a need for Intuition and Logic to respond to this issue quickly, and Mr. Meyer stated there is no urgency, but there is an opportunity because it is going to take some time to develop the final plans, and while Seven Oaks goes out for bid and goes under construction, now is the perfect time to do the preliminary and final design on Channel A, so that at the end of this year, those plans are available; he believes that is a good goal.

City Administrator/City Engineer Ed Blattner said once this project goes out for bid, then the City can go back at looking at the Channel A improvement project. He said the Channel A improvements can't be done until the flooding issue is solved. Mr. Blattner estimated that the project would be finalized in the Fall. His goal would be that about this time in 2007, the approvals will have been received and the City would be ready to go out for bid on the Channel A project.

Alderman Wilson asked about Shannon and Wilson, and whether they do the same type of work as Intuition and Logic. City Administrator/City Engineer Blattner said Shannon and Wilson is a soils consultant; they analyze soil. He said that Metropolitan Engineering is now affiliated with a sister company, Atlas Soils, that does soil analysis.

Mr. Meyer responded to Alderman Wilson's question by acknowledging that their special expertise is in dealing with special agencies, such as the Department of Natural Resources, etc. and dealing with environmental issues and shaping the projects in such a way that they get through permitting agencies efficiently and create a project that is doable. Mr. Meyer said that there is a body of science that governs how natural streams and watersheds and systems behave, and by applying this process to natural stream interventions, it makes the permitting process favorable. He said there is still a lot of intervention involved, and frequently the permitting agencies like the projects because there are similar goals which he discussed. He then discussed development code in other areas.

Mr. John Kostyshock of Metropolitan Engineering said he had a set of plans before the members of the Board and the appropriate agencies are reviewing those actual plans. He said Metropolitan Engineering's responsibility was to develop the conceptual design, and the original concept was to improve the culvert pipe feeding water to the Seven Oaks Pond, and a pipe to take the water to the receiving stream on the east side of Dougherty Ferry, and to make some improvements to the Pond which would be the responsibility of the trustees. Mr. Kostyshock showed the lowered pond, the pipe under Kinsale, and advised there would be a new outfall structure, pipe, and stilling basin. He said there are improvements in front of the box culvert and improvements on the downstream side of the box culvert, a new outlet structure, a new pipe under Dougherty Ferry and a stilling basin. He said there were deviations from when the conceptual plans were first evaluated. Mr. Kostyshock discussed the engineering design, the planned improvements, the decisions made, and the reason for the planned improvements. He discussed the preliminary evaluation, the final design, the required criteria, and stated this is a big project, and then he discussed the costs, the bid variances, and alternatives. He said the expected timeframe for the project would be to go out for bid in February or March, and construction would start in April, May, June, or July. Mr. Kostyshock said the bids would depend on the contractors' situations at the time of the bid request. He said the actual costs are unknown at this time, and the costs have been broken down into 27 or 29 categories, an extensive set of drawings and construction documents for the contractors to bid.

Alderman Clement asked about the debris that comes down Channel A, and Mr. Kostyshock said the type of debris that gets in the pond now is predominantly cut logs and limbs, not rotting materials that have fallen into the Channel, and it is necessary to control the amount of debris that is thrown into the Channel or along the bank. Mr. Kostyshock said fallen trees would have to be monitored, and the best solution is to have the City remove the trees so there is no further problem. He discussed the trapping of the debris where the water would pass through and the modification of the overflow structure and trash rack so more water could flow. He said if somebody is dumping truckloads of limbs and debris, that will all wind up by the trash racks. He said there was a plan to put in a walkway to be able to clean off that material. He said that Seven Oaks trustees had also indicated the problem was cut material, not dead material.

Alderman Ruecker asked if the cut material included cordwood, etc. in people's backyards, and Mr. Kostyshock said when you see logs and limbs with squared ends, it is obvious it is cut material, and it is important to educate the folks who live along the channel that when something is trimmed, it should be put in lawn waste. He said a problem could be created even if there isn't a big rainfall if there is a lot of cut material in the stream, and that is what happened in May, 2004; the debris backs up the water and causes flooding.

Mr. Greg Smith, 916 Kinsale, Trustee from Seven Oaks, commented on the debris and that it could almost be forecast when there would be a problem after people do yard maintenance. He said they had talked with trustees and they had caught people dumping things in the stream. He said this tributary runs all the way to Manchester Road, so it is not only people in Seven Oaks who need to be educated, but others as well.

Alderman Clement asked if there is a concrete structure whether the level of the pond would make it invisible. Mr. Kostyshock said there would be a discharge pad with wingwalls, and there would be an area in rock, and the water velocity would be high if looking at a 100-year rainfall. He said there would be silt on the stone and the whiteness would blend out, and there would likely be some moss growth. He discussed the toe wall and the rock blanket. Answering Mayor Miles' question, Mr. Kostyshock said there would be minimal excavation; he said the soil would be spread around to stay within the pond.

Alderman Wilson asked about the flood that occurred in 2004, and Mr. Kostyshock responded that it was a lesser rainfall condition than a 100-year flood, but there can be microbursts where there is a torrent of water in one area and sunshine around it, although it wasn't reported by the National Weather Service. Mr. Kostyshock said that when evaluating the pond infrastructure, it was determined there was no way it could handle a significant rainfall. He discussed transferring the water from one watershed to another watershed or from one municipality to another, and it was determined that the improvements should be made at Seven Oaks. He said their study evaluated the condition of channel A, as well as other channels in the community, and how to stabilize the channels to eliminate the erosion that is currently occurring and the sedimentation that is currently occurring. Mr. Kostyshock said there are a lot of culverts upstream and they recognized that culvert was not going to be the proper size, and he pointed out that Seven Oaks was new to the City after the annexation, so the City had no knowledge of what was going on.

Mr. Smith said that about four to six times a year, there is a flood problem, not that it is so bad on Kinsale, but there is flooding. He said the Seven Oaks Lake is private property, but they have no control over what happens upstream.

Alderman Wilson questioned the possibility of a flawed model pertaining to the model used to estimate the amount of water traveling in that channel, and Mr. Kostyshock said the model is not flawed. He said that within the report itself, they indicated that there were no flooding conditions identified by the City, and he was not sure the City was even aware that there were flooding conditions. He said the flooding was not necessarily related to the amount of water created by the rainfall. Mr. Kostyshock said he believes the reason the flooding is progressively getting worse is because of the debris. He said everything in the pond will come to the overflow structure, and if there is a significant rainfall and the structure is not working right, the water is going to rise and

overflow. He said three feet of water is a significant amount of water, and it can be a safety problem. He said the problem has been solved and the improvements need to be made.

City Administrator/City Engineer Blattner said the City is still looking for County approval, Metropolitan Sewer District approval and Missouri American Water Company waterline relocation, and those three things need to be overcome before going out for bid.

Alderman Tullock asked when this would be going out for bid.

Mr. Blattner responded that from mid to late December when the information was submitted to Metropolitan Sewer District and St. Louis County, it takes anywhere from 30 to 60 days for review time. He has asked Missouri American Water Company to meet with him on the site regarding the waterline relocation, and he sees no reason why by the end of January the approvals won't be done. He said all those approvals need to be in the hands of the City before going out for bid.

8. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

a. Planning and Zoning Commission

Alderman Clement said the upcoming meeting would be next Monday.

b. Historic Review Commission

Alderman Wandishin said there had been no meeting.

9. ACTION ON OLD BILLS

a. Bill # 05-1706 – An Ordinance approving a Special Use Permit request for a pharmacy drive-up in front of Dierbergs

Alderman Wandishin stated that there was a substitute Bill on the dais for all elected officials and at the back table available for the public. He said the only difference was in Section Four where signage was indicated. He asked Director of Planning, Zoning, and Economic Development Franz Kraintz to discuss the change in the Bill.

Mr. Kraintz said that the City does not currently have requirements relating to canopy signage which also applies to ATM's and gas stations. He said it was decided that as a condition for this Special Use Permit to design some language that, while it would pertain to this particular user, this wording would be used for canopy signage as the Zoning Ordinance would be updated. He said the signage would be limited to the canopy only, not the support structures. He said the signage was limited to 32 flexible square feet, such allocation to be determined by Dierbergs.

Alderman Clement asked if Dierbergs had been advised of this addition, and Mr. Kraintz responded that Dierbergs had not yet received a copy of this information, but the City Attorney and

he felt this was appropriate as a result of discussions at Planning and Zoning and at the Public Hearing.

Alderman Wilson asked for clarification of Item 1 under Section Four from the original Ordinance, and Mr. Krantz explained that at the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting and at the Public Hearing at the last Board meeting, there was concern about stacking of traffic backing out onto Andersohn Drive. He said by moving the eastern approach further north, that allowed for sufficient stacking in the heaviest user scenario. Alderman Wilson asked for clarification how it was to be changed, and Mr. Krantz said it was as noted on the accompanying site plan. Alderman Clement said it was changed; the difference pertained to what was discussed at Planning and Zoning and a request for them to make a change which they did. He said that was presented to the Board in a document at the last meeting. Mayor Miles said Dierbergs was in favor of the change because there was also a manhole issue involved.

Alderman Wandishin read Substitute Bill # 05-1706 for the second time, entitled: "AN ORDINANCE CREATING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT AND GRANTING THE SAME TO DIERBERGS MARKETS TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE A PHARMACY DRIVE-UP FACILITY IN THE PARKING LOT IN FRONT OF 421 LAFAYETTE CENTER, AS PROVIDED FOR IN ARTICLE 6, SECTION 5.3 OF APPENDIX "B" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 'THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER,'" by title only.

Alderman Wandishin made the motion that Bill # 05-1706 become Ordinance # 06-1635.

A poll of the Board showed:

Alderman Wilson – aye
Alderman Tullock – aye
Alderman Ruecker – aye
Alderman Wandishin – aye
Alderman Ottenad – aye
Alderman Clement – aye

Mayor Miles announced the motion passed 6 – 0.

- b. Bill # 05-1707 – An Ordinance authorizing the Community Development Block Grant agreement with St. Louis County

Alderman Clement read Bill # 05-1707 for the second time, entitled: "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, SUPPLEMENTING THE CITY'S PREVIOUS MUNICIPAL HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AGREEMENT," by title only.

Alderman Clement made the motion that Bill # 05-1707 become Ordinance # 06-1636.

A poll of the Board showed:

Alderman Tullock – aye
Alderman Ruecker – aye
Alderman Wandishin – aye
Alderman Ottenad – aye
Alderman Clement – aye
Alderman Wilson – aye

Mayor Miles announced the motion passed 6 – 0.

10. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BILLS

a. Bill authorizing purchase of patrol cars for the Police Department

Alderman Ottenad introduced Bill # 06-1708, entitled: “AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BID OF JOE MACHENS FORD IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED THREE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-NINE DOLLARS (\$103,629.00) FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIVE (5) 2006 FORD CROWN VICTORIA INTERCEPTOR CARS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER THEREFOR,” by title only.

Alderman Ottenad asked what would happen to the five cars presently being used. Lieutenant Fritschle explained that under the fleet management plan for the past several years, it has been found that the City puts approximately 40,000 miles annually on each vehicle in the emergency fleet, and every two years the vehicles have been cycled out of the emergency vehicle fleet and they are then assigned to the Detective Bureau or other administrative assignments. The older excess cars are auctioned out for recovery of money for use with the new purchases. City Administrator Blattner said that the City recovers up to 20% more by going to the auto auction versus putting bid ads in the paper.

Alderman Ottenad also thanked the Police Department for the care and professionalism given to her when she was involved in an accident the past week. She said the family was notified, and she said: “Once again, you guys have proven, you are the best.”

11. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Comments from the Public

Mr. James Bottorff, 580 Larksmore Court, thanked the City for the Senior Luncheon. Mr. Bottorff then asked for cameras to be put in place to catch red-light runners. He said he almost had two bad accidents, one at 141 and Big Bend, and another at Manchester and Sulphur Spring.

Mr. Bottorff said that at a recent block party, the subject had been brought up about keeping yards clean, and one resident asked who is liable if gumballs and leaves are not cleaned up. City Administrator Blattner said that is the responsibility of the homeowner, because the trees belong to

the homeowners. He said in the case of sidewalks, etc., the City makes those repairs, but if a neighbor has a tree with gumballs on it, that is why the neighbor has homeowners insurance. He said if the leaves or gumballs create a nuisance, the Code Enforcement Officer could come and review the situation. He said that it is also the responsibility that homeowners, according to Code, shovel the sidewalk when there is snow to keep the sidewalks clear. Mr. Bottorff suggested this be included in the newsletter, because a lot of people are under the assumption that they don't need to do anything.

Alderman Clement said that in Des Peres, he noticed cameras at intersections around West County, and he is wondering if they are monitoring intersections. He asked that Chief Connolly check into the situation. Chief Connolly said that he believes what Alderman Clement has seen is for the Fire Department to be able to control the lights. He said that the monitoring of traffic lights is very controversial and hasn't been tested in the Missouri courts. Alderman Ruecker said he is in favor of monitoring traffic lights, and when he goes through a green light, he checks both ways before entering the intersection. City Administrator Blattner advised that MoDOT would be installing a camera to monitor traffic flow for their purposes. Mayor Miles said he would not be in favor of the City getting into an agreement for free cameras from a company, with the company sharing in the percentage of the tickets. Chief Connolly said that he does think that down the road this type of technology will take off and be easier for Police Departments to monitor. He said the cameras in place are preventative.

Alderman Clement said that Queeny Park is not taking Christmas trees this year, and reminded residents that there would be a city-wide Christmas Tree pickup on January 9, as noted in the *Courier*. He suggested this be included on the website and into the interactive e-mailing service.

12. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:29 p.m., there being no further business, Alderman Clement made the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wandishin and carried unanimously.

Mayor Miles thanked everyone for attending and wished them a pleasant evening and a good week.

The meeting adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth E. Baker, City Clerk

